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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : CRIMINAL NO.

v. : DATE FILED

MARK P. SIEBERT : VIOLATION:

31 U.S.C. § 5316 (evading reporting

: requirements – 1 count)

INFORMATION

THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES THAT:

At all times material to this information:

- Defendant MARK P. SIEBERT owned approximately 50 percent of Siebert Media Group.
- 2. Siebert Media Group provided advertising services to an online gambling company based in Costa Rica (hereinafter the "Online Gambling Company") that targeted U.S. gamblers. Defendant MARK P. SEIBERT was aware that the Online Gambling Company was targeting U.S. gamblers and accepting wagers via the internet on U.S. sporting events.
- The advertising services provided by Siebert Media Group to the Online Gambling Company consisted primarily of print advertisements in newspapers and online advertisements on websites.
- 4. Siebert Media Group charged the Online Gambling Company in advance each month for advertising services.
- In or about December 2016, defendant MARK P. SIEBERT caused the
 Online Gambling Company to send to him in Ohio U.S. Postal Money Orders valued at

approximately \$25,000 by mail from Costa Rica, representing payment for advertising services provided by Siebert Media Group.

6. On or about December 22, 2016, in one or more shipments sent for the

purpose of evading currency transaction reporting requirements to defendant MARK P.

SIEBERT in Medina, Ohio, from Costa Rica, SIEBERT received approximately 37 U.S. Postal

Money Orders, each with the receipt still attached, totaling approximately \$25,000.

7. Defendant MARK P. SIEBERT had knowledge of, and was aware of, his

obligation to report his receipt of the approximately 37 U.S. Postal Money Orders valued at

approximately \$25,000 shipped to him in Medina, Ohio, from Costa Rica.

8. On or about December 22, 2016, in the Northern District of Ohio,

defendant

MARK P. SIEBERT

did, with the intent to evade a reporting requirement under Title 31, United States Code, Section

5316, knowingly fail to report his receipt of more than \$10,000 in currency or other monetary

instruments, that is approximately \$25,000 in U.S. Postal Money Orders payable to the bearer,

which he caused to be shipped, mailed, and transported into the United States, that is, Medina,

Ohio, from a place outside the United States, that is, Costa Rica.

All in violation of Title 31, United States Code, Section 5316(a)(2) and Title 31, Code of

Federal Regulations, Sections 1010.340(a), (b).

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